

According to the 2000 U.S. Census, Gallatin County experienced an average annual growth of 3% between 1990 and 2000. Growth has been greater in unincorporated areas and towns adjacent to Bozeman. In addition, the county is facing the issue of sprawl growth patterns. These trends suggest the importance of examining infrastructure needs and demand for services.

Much like the rest of the nation, Gallatin County is experiencing an increase of the older population. However, individuals age 20 to 44 comprise the largest percent (43.9%) of the population, suggesting the availability of a viable workforce.

2000 Gallatin County Population: Age & Gender

Age Group	Gallatin County						State		
	Number			Percentage			Percentage		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
0-4	1,999	1,936	3,935	5.7	5.9	5.8	6.3	5.0	6.1
5-19	7,468	6,891	14,359	21.2	21.2	21.1	23.2	21.7	22.5
20-44	16,071	13,743	29,814	45.5	42.1	43.9	33.9	33.3	33.6
45-64	7,224	6,729	13,953	20.5	20.8	20.6	24.8	25.0	24.4
65+	2,512	3,258	5,770	7.1	10.0	8.6	11.8	15.0	13.4
Total	35,274	32,557	67,831	52.0	48.0	100.0	49.8	50.2	100.0

Source: Census & Economic Information Center; U.S. Census 2000